

REMARKS

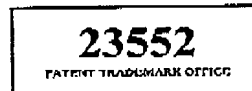
Applicants have amended the application to include claims relating to a class of fine fibers on a filtration medium substrate using a PVC fiber.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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